

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Keiji Yada, et al.) Re: Information Disclosure
Statement
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Filed: November 21, 2005) Examiner: Chih Cheng G. Kao
For: "X-RAY MICROSCOPIC INSPECTION...") Our Ref: B-5308 621524-7
Date: February 21, 2006



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Sir:

In accordance with the Applicants' duty to disclose information which may be material to the examination of this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that the Examiner consider on the merits the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified) before issuing the next Office Action on the merits. Copies of the U.S. patent documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified) are not enclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a) (2) (ii).

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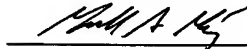
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The person making this statement is the practitioner who signs below on the basis of information supplied by an individual associated with the filing and prosecution of this application (37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c)) and on the basis of information in the practitioner's file.

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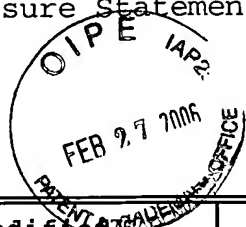
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE or 102(e) DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	4,544,845	10/1985	Michel	250	396 R	
	5,317,574	5/1994	Wang	372	5	
	2002/0130039	9/2002	Hojoh, et al.	204	275.1	
	6,430,254	8/2002	Wilkins	378	43	
	4,629,898	12/1986	Orloff, et al.	250	396 R	
	4,315,152	2/1982	Smith	250	396ML	

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